POLREP #4

MARCUS-PAULSEN PCB SITE

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EVENT: SAMPLING ASSESSMENT

I. SITUATION (2100 HOURS, MONDAY, 03 444Y 1996)

- A. FOLLOWING NOTIFICATION FROM U.S.EPA CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION (CID), OSC MATLOCK, SPECIAL AGENTS TED STANICH AND KRISTINE GOMBITA AND SATA PERFORMED A WINDSHIELD INSPECTION OF THE MARCUS-PAULSEN SITE.
- B. CID RECEIVED INFORMATION FROM THE U.S. FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATIONS (FBI) THAT THE SITE CONTAINS BURIED DRUMS CONTAINING OIL AND OR PCBS. THE DRUMS WERE REPORTED BURIED ALONG THE BANK OF THE MONONGAHELA RIVER.
- C. PERSONNEL ON SITE: U.S EPA CID-3, OSC-1, FBI-3, SATA-2, WMMC-3.
- D. WEATHER: RAINY AND WARM, TEMP. IN LOW 70'S.

II. ACTIONS TAKEN

- A. AT 0800 HOURS, OSC, SATA AND WMMC EXCAVATION CREW ARRIVED AT THE MARCUS-PAULSEN SITE. ALREADY ON SITE WERE SPECIAL AGENT GOMBITA AND ELIZABETH ACKERMAN.
- B. AT 0830 HOURS, WMMC BEGAN BREAKING UP CONCRETE THAT COVERED AREA 1 USING A HOE RAM ATTACHED TO AN EXCAVATOR.
- C. AT 1000 HOURS, OSC, CID AND SATA INSPECTED SEEP FROM AREA 1. FLOW HAD CEASED AND THERE WAS NO FURTHER FUGITIVE PRODUCT ENTERING THE MONONGAHELA RIVER.
- D. AT 1630 HOURS, FBI AGENTS NEWMAN AND MAURO ARRIVED ON SITE TO PROVIDE OVERNIGHT SITE SECURITY.
- E. AT 1745 HOURS, THE EXCAVATORS DISCOVERED OIL BENEATH THE SURFACE OF AREA 1. SATA SAMPLED THE OIL AND PERFORMED CHLOR-N-OIL FIELD SCREENING TO DETERMINE IF THE OIL CONTAINED PCBs. RESULTS WERE INCONCLUSIVE DUE TO THE VISCOSITY AND COLOR OF THE OIL. THE EXCAVATORS BUILT A DIKE BETWEEN THE OIL LOCATION AND THE RIVER TO PREVENT EXPECTED OVERNIGHT RAINS FROM LEACHING OIL INTO THE RIVER.
- F. SATA PERFORMED PHOTO AND WRITTEN DOCUMENTATION WHILE OSC DODD PROVIDED OVERSIGHT OF THE DIG.
- G. AT 1915 HOURS, ALL PARTIES DEPARTED THE SITE.

III. FUTURE ACTIONS

- A. OSC DODD WILL CONTINUE TO COORDINATE WITH CID REGARDING ALL FUTURE SITE ACTIVITIES.
- B. CID, OSC, EXCAVATORS, AND SATA WILL BE ON SITE ON TUESDAY, 4 JUNE 1996. CID WILL COLLECT AN OIL SAMPLE.
- C. SATA WILL SHIP OIL SAMPLE TO WESTON LAB, LIONVILLE, PA FOR PCB AND METALS ANALYSIS.

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